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<p>In re Application of</p> <p>W. Robert Arathoon et al.</p> <p>Serial No.: not yet assigned</p>	<p>Group Art Unit: not yet assigned</p> <p>Examiner: not yet assigned</p>
<p>Filed: May 23, 2001</p> <p>For: A METHOD FOR MAKING MULTISPECIFIC ANTIBODIES HAVING HETEROMULTIMERIC AND COMMON COMPONENTS</p>	<p>EXPRESS MAIL LABEL NO. EL 141 797 043 US</p>

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to review of the above-referenced application on the merits, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 13, line 26, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--(ii) recovering the multispecific antibody from the host cell culture.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 17, line 16, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Figs. 2A-2C. Fig. 2A diagrams a selection scheme for C_H3 heterodimer using phage display vector, pRA2. Phage displaying stable C_H3 heterodimers are captured using an antibody directed to the gD flag. Fig. 2B diagrams a dicistronic operon in which C_H3 expressed from a synthetic gene is co-